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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Katy Drieu
Serial No.: 10/809,617
Filed: March 25, 2004
For: USE .. MEDECINE

Examiner: Srivastava, Kailash C.

Group: 1655

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September 5, 2006

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office action of July 31, 2006, Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the remarks presented herein.

The claims in the application are claims 4 to 8 and 10 to 16, all other claims having been cancelled.

The Examiner has required a 5 way restriction requirement, namely (I) claims 4 and 5 drawn to treating withdrawal symptoms using a plant extract, (II) claims 6 to 8 drawn to treating withdrawal symptoms with specific compounds, (III) claims 12 and 16 drawn to treating withdrawal symptoms with tobacco or toxicomanics, (IV) claims 10 and 13 drawn to treating withdrawal symptoms with a ginkolide and (V) claims 10 and

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